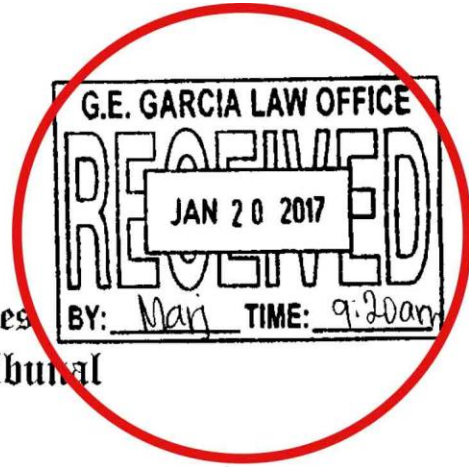




Republic of the Philippines
Presidential Electoral Tribunal
Manila



NOTICE

Sirs/Mesdames:

*Please take notice that the Tribunal issued a Resolution dated **JANUARY 10, 2017**, which reads as follows:*

“P.E.T. Case No. 005 (Ferdinand ‘Bongbong’ R. Marcos, Jr. vs. Maria Leonor ‘Leni Daang Matuwid’ G. Robredo).- The Tribunal Resolved to

(a) **NOTE** the Manifestation dated December 6, 2016 filed by counsel for protestee Maria Leonor G. Robredo, informing the Tribunal that

(i) the Province of Kalinga is part of the counter-protest and the protestee would like to be informed of the schedule of the printing of the Initialization Report, Precinct Audit Log Report and Precinct Statistical Report of the Vote Counting Machine (VCM) and allowed to send her authorized representative/s thereto and secure, at her own expense, copies of the printed reports should she deem it necessary; and

(ii) Toledo City is among the contested areas of protestant Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr. and the protestee would like to be informed of the scheduled retrieval and recount of the ballots and allowed to send her representatives should she deem it necessary; and should any of the parties request for a decryption of the Secure Digital (SD) cards, the protestee reserves the right, at her own expense, to secure copies of the printed reports;

(b) **GRANT** the Motion dated December 12, 2016 filed by the Office of the Solicitor General (OSG) for the Commission on Elections (COMELEC), praying for leave to file a consolidated manifestation/compliance with the resolutions dated November 8, 2016, November 22, 2016 and November 29, 2016, until December 17, 2016;

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(c) **NOTE** the Letter dated November 28, 2016 of Hon. Jose Bayani J. Usman, Acting Presiding Judge, Regional Trial Court, Branch 49, Puerto Princesa City, requesting authority to allow the Election Records and Statistics Department (ERSD) of the COMELEC to decrypt the SD Cards and print the ballot images for the seven (7) contested clustered precincts in the Municipality of Araceli, Palawan, used in the May 9, 2016 National and Local Elections in connection with Civil Case No. 5368 for Election Protest entitled 'Sue S. Cudilla vs. Noel A. Beronio';

(d) **NOTE** the Manifestation/Compliance (with the resolutions dated November 8, 2016, November 22, 2016 and November 29, 2016), dated December 14, 2016 filed by the OSG for the COMELEC, stating that while the COMELEC Information and Technology Department (ITD) did not record the minutes of the stripping activities held on October 26, 2016 and November 2, 2016, the COMELEC ITD prepared a Report dated November 29, 2016 (copy attached) detailing the procedure implemented by them during the said stripping activities and summarizing their findings on the machines subjected to stripping activities; and manifesting that the COMELEC ERSD is in the process of scheduling the decryption of the SD cards that were set aside during the stripping activities on October 26, 2016 and November 2, 2016, and the COMELEC undertakes to inform this Tribunal of the schedule of the decryption once the COMELEC ERSD has finalized the date, time and venue of the said activity and to furnish the Tribunal and the parties with copies of the results as soon as they are available;

(e) **NOTE** the Letter dated December 20, 2016 of Commissioner Christian Robert S. Lim, COMELEC, in compliance with the resolution dated November 8, 2016, requesting the Tribunal to observe the following May 9, 2016 National, Local and ARMM Elections Closure Activities:

(i) *Briefing on the Protocols for Observing the Stripping of VCM & CCS Kits, Decryption of SD Cards Found to Have SAES Folders and Back-up of VCM SD Cards and Walkthrough of the Warehouse Facility - Training Room, 2nd Floor, Building 2, JAM Liner Warehouse, Barangay Pulong, Sta. Cruz, Sta. Rosa City, Laguna, on January 5, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.; and*

(ii) *Stripping of VCM & CCS Kits - JAM Liner Warehouse, Barangay Pulong, Sta. Cruz, Sta. Rosa City, Laguna, beginning on January 9, 2017 until finished (Monday to Saturday) from 8 A.M. to 5 P.M.;*


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January 10, 2017

(f) **NOTE** and **GRANT** the Letter dated December 22, 2016 of Atty. Michael L. Garcia, Acting Division Clerk, Second Division, COMELEC, requesting authority for the temporary prior custody of the ballot boxes and the contents thereof, recount of ballots, other election documents or paraphernalia, including the list of voters such as the Election Day Computerized Voter's List (EDCVL), Voter's Registration Records (VRR) and Book of Voters (BOV), as well as the data storage devices used in the May 9, 2016 Elections for the position of City Mayor, Cebu City, Province of Cebu, in the one hundred sixty-seven (167) clustered precincts mentioned therein relative to EPC No. 2016-16 (Michael L. Rama vs. Tomas R. Osmeña); and

(g) **NOTE** the Manifestation dated January 4, 2017 filed by Hon. Corpus B. Alzate, Pairing Judge, Regional Trial Court, Branch 58, Bucay, Abra, praying that the decryption of the SD Cards, printing of election returns, decryption of digital ballot images in all the contested precincts in the Municipality of Luba, Abra, be authorized by the Tribunal." (advz)

Very truly yours,


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